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SUBJECT: UN DESERTIFICATION CONFERENCE: CHINA-TAIWAN ISSUE

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- 1. IN STATEMENT TO CONFERENCE COMMITTEE OF WHOLE, CHINESE DELEGATE VOICED STRONG OBJECTION TO REFERENCE IN ONE OF BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS WHICH INCLUDED TAIWAN IN LIST OF SEVERAL "COUNTRIES" WITH PARTICULAR DESERTIFICATION PROBLEM. HE INSISTED UPON WITHDRAWAL OF DOCUMENT OR REVIEW LANGUAGE BASED ON CONTENTION THAT "TAIWAN IS NOT" INDEPENDENT COUNTRY, BUT RATHER PROVINCE OF PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA". NO OTHER DELEGATION COMMENTED ON THIS MATTER.
- 2. NO INDICATION HOW CHAIRMAN (INDIA) WILL DEAL WITH THIS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND VARIETY OF OTHER LARGELY NON-CONTROVERSIAL REQUESTS FOR CHANGES IN BACKGRUND/DOCUMENTATION. QUITE LIKELY DECISION WILL BE TO INCLUDE ALL COMMENTS IN REPORT TO CONFERENCE PLENARY, EITHER WITH OR WITHOUT ATTRIBUTION TO COUNTRIES REQUESTING CHANGES. DOCUMENT AT ISSUE HERE IS BACKGROUND AND NOT CONFERENCE ACTION ITEM. CONFERENCE WILL PROBABLY MERELY "TAKE NOTE" OF BACK-

GROUND DOCUMENTS. NO INDICATION THAT SIMILAR PROBLEM EXISTS IN OTHER DOCUMENTS, EITHER BACKGROUND OR ACTION.

3. REQUEST SPECIFIC GUIDANCE, INCLUDING LANGUAGE, ON HOW TO COME WITH EXISTING SITUATION AND ANY FUTURE PROBLEMS DEPARTMENT CAN PERCEIVE.

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